

## ARREST MOTHER IN BUFFUM FAMILY POISON MYSTERY

Woman Whose Husband and  
Child Died Is Charged  
With Their Deaths.

SALAMANCA, N. Y., Dec. 11.—Mrs. Cynthia Buffum, widow of Willis Buffum, the Little Valley farmer who died last August of poison, was placed under arrest by Sheriff Dempsey of Cattaraugus County at noon today. Upon the arrival of a passenger train from Buffalo bearing Mrs. Buffum and party, the Sheriff went aboard and took the woman into custody. She is charged with murder, first degree.

The arrest of Mrs. Buffum comes as the climax to one of the most mysterious poison cases the authorities of Western New York have had to deal with in many years.

Back in April of this year Norris Buffum, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Buffum, died in the little farm house near Little Valley, and while the attending physician confessed himself puzzled over the peculiar symptoms death was attributed to natural causes. Willis Buffum, the husband, was taken ill in July, and Dr. H. L. Hillman, who attended him, is said to have discovered symptoms similar to those shown by Norris Buffum just before he died. Buffum died on Aug. 27 and his body was buried alongside that of little Norris.

A few days after the funeral of the father, twelve-year-old Laura Buffum, a daughter, and Harry and Clarence Buffum, sons, were taken ill. An examination of Laura and her brothers was made by doctors and they agreed upon a diagnosis of arsenical poison. The matter was then brought to the attention of District Attorney George W. Cole of Cattaraugus County, and the body of Willis Buffum was ordered exhumed.

Laura Buffum, who was stricken shortly after her father's death, remains on the brink of death herself, without much chance of escaping the fate of her father and brother. Paralyzed through the effects of the poison, her bones naked of even a suggestion of flesh or muscle, she lies listless and helpless. It would not be surprising if death came within a week.

## EXPECTANT MOTHER CHASED.

Woman Arrested for Theft Taken  
Ill in Court.

After an exciting chase through the shopping crowds in Fulton street, Brooklyn, Mrs. Rose Bloom, twenty-four years old, of No. 24 South Fourth street, Brooklyn, fell exhausted to the pavement and was arrested on the charge of snatching a purse from the arm of Miss Rose Coleman, No. 423 Sixth avenue, Brooklyn. After arraignment today, Mrs. Bloom was taken violently ill in the "pen" of the Adams street police court, and Dr. Van Beyer, who had been summoned from the Brooklyn Hospital, found that she was about to bear a child.

The police believe the prisoner resorted to theft in anticipation of her child's coming. She is very shabbily dressed and evidently in deep poverty.

## AROUND WORLD CHASE AFTER A GREAT CRIMINAL.

A grim and imaginative story is "The Shadow," by Arthur Stringer, which begins in the Magazine and Story section of next Sunday's World. A realistic chase by a detective around the world after a fugitive from justice. Among other special features of this issue are:

A real veiled bride the romance of the Hartleys.

How Balconko Jimmy tumbled to himself and how he became rich.

"Miss Amethyst," the amazing confidence woman.

Another story of "Bill, the Office Boy."

A double page picture in brilliant colors of New York debutantes as Oriental maidens.

Alice Purinton, first assistant to Santa Claus at the Patent Office.

The deadly poison of alcohol, its destructive effects described by the Pope's physician.

Final instalment of "The Handbag," Louis Joseph Vance's great mystery story.

The Coney Island of Athens, Greece, described by a Broadwayite.—Adv.

## HUSHED UP CRIMINAL CASE.

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., Dec. 11.—Because a criminal case was hushed up and got no further than the office of the Justice of the Peace who took the complaint, Judge Horner, following the conviction of those concerned, imposed sentences today upon all except the original defendant.

James J. Grogan, a Justice of the Peace of Riverside, who took the com-

plaint, was sentenced to not less than eighteen months nor more than three years in State prison. Hugh Jones, a constable, was fined \$100; John A. Myers, another constable, was fined \$200, and William Wort was fined \$150. A complaint was made against Samuel Painter of Riverside, accusing him of attacking the daughter of Wort. The Justice took the complaint and the case was moving along toward the upper courts when it was suddenly stopped.

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Men's Tan and Black Kid Romeo Slippers (elastic sides). Formerly 2.50, now **\$2.25**

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Men's Tan and Black Kid Opera Slippers. Formerly 2.00, now **\$1.75**

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The complete list will be published in our advertisement of Sunday next.



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A dainty little gift for the home seamstress. As illustrated, with scissors, needle, book and emery suspended from ribbon drawn through bone rings. value 75c..... **25c**

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Merino Underwear for Children Union Suits: Winter weight, 35c, 45c, 55c and \$1.00. Vests and Pants, garment, 25c, 35c and 50c.

## Mothers Wanted! For a Thousand Blue and Black Eyed Dolls

Toyland Is Just Bursting With Joy News—The Dolls in Particular Are Anxious to Find Comfortable Homes and Loving Little Mothers—Won't You Do?

You'll behold on our third floor a real city of dolls—all kinds, ages, sizes and colors—each one ready to jump into the arms of some little affectionate mother—don't wait too long. And for the boys—well, there's the mechanical toys—and books—and games—and everything a boy could wish for.

## The Gift Most Lasting—Pictures

Always a reminder of the festive occasion and the pleasant days incident thereto—and pictures, this Christmas, seem to be more popular than ever.

Framed Pictures	Genuine Oil Paintings
Harrison Fisher Heads in colors; choice subjects; framed in 1 inch silver-tinted frame; glass size 11x14 in. <b>59c</b>	Size of Canvas. 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